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## Diablo Reach Back brings brief respite from Taliban

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Kandahar, AFGHANISTAN – During a 20-day mission in northern Kandahar Province, Combined Task Force Bayonet forces engaged Taliban forces in some of the fiercest fighting seen this year.

Led by the 3rd Battalion, 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment, coalition forces kicked off the military operation known as *Diablo Reach Back* June 7 in the rugged, mountainous terrain of Shah Wali Kot district.

The coalition forces included Soldiers and policemen from the Afghan National Army, Afghan National Police, the Romanian Army, and U.S. forces from the 3-319th AFAR, 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, and the 173rd Airborne Brigade.

Diablo Reach Back, a follow-up mission to *Diablo Reach* conducted in May 2005, was designed to clear the area of anti-coalition militia so that the provincial government of Kandahar can establish a permanent presence and a good line of

communication in the remote, northern district, according to Lt. Col. Bert Ges, 3-319th AFAR and Task Force Gundevil commander.

The Shah Wali Kot district is considered to be one of the last Taliban strongholds in Kandahar province, but that may soon end as the patience of the district's residents grows thin with the anti-coalition forces.

"For the most part, the people out here are tired of the Taliban," said Ges. "Because there is no government representation out here, the Taliban come out of the hills and take their food, beat on them, harass them, and then leave."

Establishing security in the district is the first priority, said Ges, but another is to strengthen the positions of the district leadership. Once this is done, reconstruction efforts can begin in the embattled region.

Ges also wants to establish a satellite police station in Gumbad by July 1.

"Gumbad to me is very key terrain in the Gumbad valley," said Ges. "The people are supportive of us. We have had several major *shuras* there. We have identified a building, and we want to rent it. We are going to bring ANP forces up there. Anywhere from 20 to

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Lt. Col. Bert Ges, Task Force Gundevil Commander, talks to the Shah Wali Kot District Police Chief (left) and the District Chief (right) with the aid of his interpreter after a shura in Gumbad, a small village in northern Kandahar Province.

## The race is on!



From left: Hot dog eating contestants attempt to eat as many hot dogs as they can in two minutes—and put a prize of \$50 in his pocket. The contest was one of several held during La Sagra Americana, Caserma Ederle's Fourth of July celebration.

La Sagra Americana kicked off at 5 p.m. Sunday with opening remarks by Col. Donald Drummer, 22nd Area Support Group commander, who quickly turned the microphone over to Maj. Gen. David Zabecki, SETAF Rear Detachment commander. The commanding general kept his remarks brief, simply wished everyone a happy Fourth of July and said he hoped everyone would have a great time as we celebrate our independence day. For more La Sagra Americana photos, see page 4. (Photo by Diana Bahr, Outlook editor)



Despite the windows being left slightly open, the temperature inside this car can climb 20 degrees within 10 minutes, and could cause serious injuries to these two young boys. It is against Army policy to leave children unattended in a vehicle, and during high temperatures—it could be deadly.

## Children, Cars + Heat = a deadly combination

By Maj. Nancy Saddler  
Community Health Nurse

The last thing anyone would want to purposefully do is bring harm to a child. Yet, a serious problem exists in our society that sometimes ends up in the 100 percent preventable death of a child.

A study revealed that, from 1995-2002, about 125 children died as a result of being left in the car, and about another 42 children died when they crawled into unlocked cars and couldn't get back out.

These startling statistics are reinforced by a SAFE-KIDS GM poll, which discovered that 18 percent of parents between the ages of 18-24, said they believed it was OK to leave their children unattended in a vehicle.

A child's core body temperature can rise

three to five times faster than that of an adult. When the temperature outside reaches 93F, it only takes 20 minutes for the inside, even with the windows cracked, to get 120F. A little over 40 minutes later it's 140F. A child left in this environment can suffer permanent injuries or die if left alone.

Below are recommended ways to prevent children from being left in cars and accidentally playing in cars and getting caught inside.

- ◆ Never leave your child in an unattended car, even with the windows down. It's against Army policy.

- ◆ Check to make sure all children leave the vehicle when you reach your destination, particularly when loading and unloading.

- ◆ Teach children not to play in or around cars.

- ◆ Keep car keys out of reach and sight.

- ◆ Always lock car doors and trunks, especially when parked in the driveway or near the home.

- ◆ Be wary of child-resistant locks. Teach older children how to disable the driver's door locks if they unintentionally become entrapped in a motor vehicle.

- ◆ Consider getting your vehicle retrofitted with a trunk release mechanism.

- ◆ If your child gets locked inside a car, get him out and dial 114 on post, or off post 0444-71-7114 or 118.

Don't let the death of any child in this community be the wake up call to change our busy lifestyles.

*Editor's note: The two young children in the vehicle were posed. Their mother was outside and the vehicle was running with the air conditioning on.*



## Livorno Health Clinic welcomes Godoy



Maj. Eduardo Godoy (right) receives the guidon of the U.S. Army Health Clinic from Col. Richard Jordan, deputy commander, Landstuhl Medical Center, during a ceremony at the clinic June 23. By accepting the unit's colors, Godoy accepts command of the Livorno Health Clinic. The outgoing commander, Maj. Matthew Rice, leaves for Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Godoy is a graduate of the University of California at Davis Medical School. His previous assignments include the U.S. Army Health Clinic-Bamberg, and he deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan with the 701st Medical Support Battalion. (Photo by Chiara Mattiolo, Camp Darby Public Affairs)

## 712 Munitions Squadron changes leadership

Air Force Lt. Col. Carnell Cunningham (right) salutes Col. Robert Pecoraro, commander, 712th Air Base Group, Spain, after having assumed command of 712th Munitions Squadron, during a ceremony June 23. "Lt. Col. Williams did a fantastic job here," said Pecoraro. "He faced many challenges and had great successes. "We will miss you can't imagine how much, your sense of camaraderie and support to the Camp Darby community highly impacted of the quality of life at Camp Darby," said Lt. Col. Charles Leaming, Installation commander. Williams's next position is as commander of the 35th Maintenance Squadron at Misawa Air Base, Japan. Cunningham comes to Italy from the 100th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England, where he was the maintenance officer. (Photo by Chiara Mattiolo, Camp Darby Public Affairs)



## Community

### Action Council

This forum is to discuss issues that affect the community.

If you have an issue that you wish to submit, visit the 22nd Area Support Group Web site at [www.22asg.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.22asg.vicenza.army.mil) and click on the Community Action Council link.

This link provides you the opportunity to review issues that have been previously submitted and responded to by post agencies. There is also a form available for you to submit any new issue you would like addressed. If you have questions, call 634-5222 or 0444-71-5222 from off post. The command encourages you to identify yourself when submitting a CAC issue in order to be able to answer your concern directly.

Childcare is offered during the CAC at \$2.50 per hour, per child for children ages 6 weeks through kindergarten from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required. Children will be cared for in the Child Development Center, Building 395. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. Call 634-7219 or stop by their new location in Davis Family Readiness Center.

There is no CAC scheduled for June. The next CAC is July 27 at 9 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

**Issue:** Recently a contractor was brought in to re-enforce the privacy walls in Villaggio. A memo was distributed stating that the yard would be returned to its original state.

What actually happened was our yards were dug up, the walls re-enforced, but the

area was not returned to its original state.

I know these are minor issues, but if the government is paying these businesses to do a job with a scope of work that includes returning things back to the way they were, then I think that we should enforce that scope of work.

**Response from Directorate of Public Works:** We regret the poor impression created by the management of this contract. We do have a DPW representative overseeing the quality and timeliness of the construction. The work was to be carried out in three phases.

The contractor came through in Phase I and demolished the existing walls and reconstructed them with substantial foundations. During Phase II, the contractor was to repaint the walls. In Phase III the area was to be restored to its original condition.

The occupants should have seen these phases proceeding one after the other fairly smoothly. However, the phases became disjointed because of inclement weather.

In some instances there is insufficient space between the wall foundation and the patio to replant the bush. This would prevent the bushes from being replanted.

**Issue:** I think the decision to deprive the Soldiers of weightlifting equipment for two weeks is unacceptable. The equipment should not have been moved until the new building was ready.

**Response from Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation:** The new Fitness Annex is a positive addition to the community. There were many signs posted in the Fitness Center detailing to customers the timeframes that the equipment would be moved. The weight room equipment was extremely heavy and difficult to move.

Unfortunately, we did not have as many

## The heart of worship

For the next 32 weeks, the 22nd Area Support Group Chaplain's Family Life Office, in partnership with deployed SETAF and 173d Airborne Brigade chaplains, will write a series of devotional articles based on the best-selling book, "A Purpose Driven Life," by Pastor Rick Warren.

The intent of these articles is to offer deployed soldiers and their family members a devotional meditation which you can use for weekly discussion and to hopefully deepen your spiritual connection during the separation.

**Chaplain (Capt.) Buddy Hammil**  
14th Transportation Battalion

Give yourselves to God...  
Surrender your whole being to him to be used for righteous purposes.  
— Romans 6:13  
(Today's English Version)

The heart of worship is surrender. The central core of what it means to worship is to surrender.

To a Soldier, surrender is not a popular word. Surrender is not positive; it is admitting defeat, yielding, giving up.

Defeated armies surrender. Criminals surrender. Even though our competitive culture frowns on surrender, that is exactly what Christians must do. In order to truly worship God, we must surrender.

The Apostle Paul, in his letter to the Romans, urges us to fully surrender our lives to God in worship:

"So then, my friends, because of God's great mercy to us... offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service and

pleasing to him. This is the true worship that you should offer." Romans 12:1 (Today's English Version)

Surrendering to God is offering ourselves, yielding ourselves to God. Surrendering to God is the heart of worship.

We will not surrender to God if we fear him, if we do not trust him. The bible reminds us, "There is no fear in love. Perfect love drives out fear." 1 John 4:18 (New International Version)

The evidence of God's love for us abounds. In the Bible, he tells us he loves us; he cares about every detail of our life; he has good plans for our lives; he forgives us; he is lovingly patient with us.

The greatest demonstration of God's love is the sacrifice of his Son.

"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8 (New International Version)

Pride can be a barrier to worship. We will not surrender to God as long as we believe we are in control of our lives. We like to think we are in control; that we are captain of our own ship. Recognizing that God is the creator and that we are his creation helps us put it into proper perspective. "We aren't God and never will be," Rev. Rick Warren reminds us, "We are humans."

If we can get past the barriers to surrender, we can enjoy the blessings. We can experience peace, freedom, God's power in our lives, and fulfillment.

We will never be more fulfilled and at peace than when we surrender our will to God. Surrender it all to God: past mistakes, current struggles, future dreams.

Ask yourself, "What area of my life am I holding back from God?"

Then simply surrender it to God in worship.

personnel to help move the equipment as we had expected. A move such as this was extremely labor intensive. Civilians and Soldiers did an outstanding job moving and setting up the equipment.

In an effort to minimize the impact to the patrons; the equipment was moved out in stages.

The DMWR regrets any inconvenience our patrons may have encountered during our move to upgrade our facility to better serve our community.

**Issue:** Recently I wanted to purchase some beer as a thank you for the 173d Airborne Brigade paratroopers who involved in a memorial service.

First, I tried to purchase two kegs of beer from the AAFES shoppette. I was told by the shoppette that they do not sell kegs of beer anymore as the Soldiers do not return the taps.

Everywhere else I have been stationed, there is an enormous deposit required to ensure the return of the taps.

**Response from AAFES:** We apologize that we did have to discontinue this service as it was not a productive item for us to keep. Yes, we do have a very difficult time with the return of keg taps even with a \$125 tap deposit. To purchase a tap out right costs \$300.

Here is why we made the decision to no longer carry kegs of beer:

1. Unfortunately customers do not return taps even with a \$125 deposit, resulting in a loss of \$175.

2. Our minimum orders required by the vendor is 30 kegs, this is a five month supply for us. Our AAFES standard inventory ratio for this category is a two week supply. Carrying this item resulted in excessive inventory.

3. Since AAFES has a discount program on our kegs, and we can't provide the service.

However, AAFES does offer five percent off five cases of beer of the same variety – five cases equates to the volume of one keg of beer.

**Issue:** Does AAFES have any plans to purchase a name tape machine so they can make name tapes on site?

**Response from AAFES:** The name tape contract was awarded in June 2003 and expires in June 2008. At the time AAFES awarded the contract, this contractor was the only source in the Vicenza/Aviano area to provide the service. The contractor has, by contract, 10 days to complete the service from the time the order is received.

Our contractor, however, is able to provide the service in less time. If an order is placed by Monday at 5 p.m. the order will be back by Thursday afternoon. If the order is placed Thursday evening, the order is back Tuesday evening.

There are particular cases in which the lead time could increase by local holidays. The lead time in such case could be prolonged by a day.

The Military Clothing Sales staff will ensure that all customers will be informed of such occurrence.

Other locations such as Wuerzburg, Grafenwoehr and several other locations in Germany order their nametapes through the MCSS directly from the United States and the turn around time is 7 to 15 days.

The machine to make the nametapes is quite bulky and it is not physically possible to place it in the tailor shop.

We have looked at a smaller machine; however the speed and quality of this machine wouldn't improve the present turn around times.







# Soldiers work to bring stability to village, valley

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40 men and then we will augment them with [U.S. forces], anywhere from 16 to 40 men. That is to get the infrastructure started, establish communications, and then we'll nominate a project for an actual police sub-station there."

"I've put a very aggressive timeline of July 1 for this project. I just want to get some troops up there," said Ges, "I realize they may be living rough for the first few weeks, but I just want to get them in there, get a foothold and then expand from there. Every time we are in that village they know that we can provide security. They see the helicopters and the artillery fire. But when we leave, the Taliban can then return. So that's why, in the Gumbad project, we want to show that permanent presence. Get the ANP there and help them out."

Security has been a challenge in the district. This operation alone saw minor battles near the villages of Zamto Kalay and Chenartu. There was also significant enemy contact made by Delta Company, 2-504th PIR June 14 in the vicinity of Takht Kalay and June 17 in the vicinity of Gumbad.

"The men who we are fighting now have been around for awhile," said Ges, "They know how we fight, so we have to be very quick and aggressive... All of the operations that



With the aid of an interpreter, Lt. Col. Bert Ges, Task Force Gundevil Commander, discusses issues with village elders during a shura held in Gumbad, a small village in Shah Wali Kot District, a district in northern Kandahar Province.

we have had during Diablo Reach Back have had ANA soldiers with them. They are the main effort. We have substantial forces here also, but they do the bulk of the fighting."

Specifically involved in this operation were ANA soldiers from 2nd Battalion, 1st Brigade and ANA soldiers from Weapons Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Brigade, according to Maj. Kevin Bigelman, 3-319th AFAR operations officer.

"The ANA did a great job. They were well equipped, well led, and they did exactly what they were tasked to do – which was to clear the objective area and the surrounding towns," said Bigelman.

"There has been a significant reduction in enemy forces," said Capt. George Whittenburg, 3-319th AFAR intelligence officer. "The terrain does not lend itself to finding bodies."

The reception of coalition forces by the residents has been varied.

"At the worst, the reception has been neutral," said Ges. "But some have been very positive. It all comes down to the leadership of the villages."

Maintaining and improving the relationships

with the various village elders is essential to the success of future operations in the village.

"We don't want to come into a location or objective, clear it and then leave," said Ges. "We want clear the area and then go right into civil affairs."

"What we have been doing during this operation is bringing the District Chief and the District Police Chief with us to show them the conditions of the area and let them hear what the people are saying," said Ges. "We always end up with what is called a *shura* – a meeting with the village leaders and elders."

"And then we do a village assessment. We review all of their issues and concerns and we are very honest with them. We get all of the potential projects that they may want to have accomplished. We take them back to Kandahar to the province headquarters. And there, they do an assessment themselves and begin to prioritize (the projects)," said Ges.

Leading an international and inter-battalion force, in what are typically infantry missions, has been a rewarding experience for Ges, a field artillery officer.

"I'm impressed by the paratroopers who come in hard, fight the enemy, and then – like that – they are already going into the next phase, where we are trying to help the people," said Ges. "Our paratroopers know at all times that the Afghan people are not the enemy, the enemy is the Taliban."



Maj. Kevin Bigelman, Task Force Gundevil operations officer, interacts with some of the children of a small village in Shah Wali Kot District, a district in northern Kandahar Province.



Above: Nicolò Firriolo has a tattoo airbrushed on his arm by vendor with Gian Buraska.

Top right: Electric Youth were the opening act for La Sagra Americana July 3. The group of teens, ages 15-18, are students at the Franklin School for the Performing Arts, in Franklin, Mass. and are singing and dancing their way across Europe.

Right: A contestant shows off her patriotism with a homemade dress in the Mr. Stars and Miss Stripes contest. (Photos by Diana Bahr, Outlook editor)



## Celebrating our Independence Day



The ponies may be taking a break from giving children rides July 3, but it doesn't diminish their appeal to the crowd of children and adults who delight in petting the tiny animals.





# Acting workshops cultivate creativity in all

By Sgt. 1st Class Eugene Pomeroy  
SETAF Public Affairs

Soldier’s Theater hosted its ninth annual Summer Theater Workshops June 20-25 with performances by children and teenagers that ranged from large musical numbers to skits involving two performers.

“We try to cultivate imagination, creativity, and a basic knowledge of theater,” said to Allen Ebert, 22nd Area Support Group Entertainment director.

The week-long program involved 15 children, ages six to eleven, participating in morning workshops, and afternoon sessions with older youth.

After a series of breathing exercises and physical exercises, drama instructor Ann Meyer took the children through an excerpt from the musical “Annie” and “Let Us Entertain you.”

The program’s finale on Friday was George M. Cohan’s “Give My Regards To Broadway”, which turned the collection of high-spirited children and young people into an energetic spectacle.

“We have a great group of kids and it’s been an amazing week,” said Ebert.

The children’s material was a series of one-act stories (“Frogs at the Rainbow’s End”, “The Ducks and the Fox” and “The Bad Kangaroo”).

The 12 to 15 year-olds were given material, also in a one-act format, that required them to reach a little deeper, whether plain drama or involving moral choices, as was the case with Krista McBride and Elizabeth Doerr,

**Drama instructor, Ann Meyer (standing), leads children through breathing and physical exercises during the ninth annual Soldiers’ Theatre workshops held June 20-25.**

whose short scene (“Waiting for Bobo”) revolved around the aftermath of a late-night party and the choices that young people have to make when they’ve been less than truthful with their parents.

McBride, an enthusiastic 12 year-old actress, described her experience as “very positive” and thinks that she might go on for a theater arts degree when she gets to college.

Doerr, who attends an Italian school, has done less acting but liked making friends amongst the American children, and wants to attend the workshops again next year.

“It’s a learning environment here, we want to have them open up, if they gain one thing from this entire week, it’s a victory for us,” said Ebert.

Ebert, whose background in theater goes back ten years, is fully cognizant of deployments and the distractions of summer, which is why a longer summer program is not practicable.

Soldier’s Theater, does however, put on a yearly youth performance theater program where the participants get the “full production aspect” of a play, spending six to eight weeks doing everything from lighting, to sound, costumes, make-up and set design as well as acting.

The programs at Soldier’s Theater are primarily family-oriented, geared at getting families interested in the theater.

“We’re here to provide a little culture to the community” continued Ebert, saying that the program was very important for the community, letting them have something they can’t have just drive off-post and get. “They can see some Italian plays, but they can’t get American theater—Americana.”

## Man of Steel soars onto Caserma Ederle



The “Man of Steel,” also known as Superman, paid a visit to the Caserma Ederle food court and library June 28 as part of the Installation Management Agency-Europe MWR summer *Shout Out* program. Above, two fans talk to Superman while receiving an autograph. At right, Superman reads to the children and explains the importance of doing right from wrong. (Photos by Jessica Boydston, Outlook staff)



## Ophans taste a bit of America during post visit



More than 30 youngsters from Bosnia, and their escorts, had a taste of American hospitality when they visited Caserma Ederle June 30. Welcomed by the 22nd ASG Public Affairs Office they had a whirlwind tour of the base. At right, Fire Chief Charlie Fattori, and his firefighters (through the aide of translators), gave demonstrations on safety measures and use of their equipment. The children ‘had it their way’ when they were treated to lunch at Burger King, courtesy of manager Wade Hubble and they finished their tour at the commissary where they happily received goodie bags, from manager Roy Hunnewell. Peter Luste and Ron Reynolds from VFW Post 8862 also helped to coordinate the visit. (Photos by Jessica Boydston, Outlook staff)





# Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

### Exploring a city

Venice: You can visit the historical center of the city and its monuments any day of the week with an experienced tour guide.

The itinerary includes St. Mark’s Square, St. Mark’s Basilica from the outside, the Ducal Palace, Prisons, and the Bridge of Sighs.

The tour ends with a visit to a glass-blowing factory on the Murano Island (*optional*) and lasts about two hours.

Tours start at 9:15 a.m. and cost 31 Euro for adults, from 6-14 years of age 23 Euro, and free for children under 5. Tickets are available from the APT or at the tourist offices at the Venice train station, in Piazzale Roma or in San Marco square.

Milan: Life in Milan centers around the area of the Duomo. A huge Gothic cathedral, the Duomo has more than 2,000 statues and over 140 spires, with a large gold Madonna at the top.

The best time to visit is on a sunny day, when the light penetrating the windows creates a kaleidoscope of color through the interior of the church.

Then there’s the world’s most famous opera house ‘*La Scala*,’ first opened in 1778 and has, since that time, entertained several generations of opera fans from around the world.

Opera lovers who visit the museum, located in ‘La Scala’ will find numerous mementos and items of opera memorabilia, including two rooms devoted to Verdi featuring, among other things, Verdi’s scores in his own hand and his jewel-encrusted baton.

Art lovers can find *Leonardo da Vinci’s* masterpiece ‘The Last Supper’ in the refectory at the Basilica of Santa Maria delle Grazie.

The painting has deteriorated over the years and has undergone a number of restorations. The most recent restoration lasted about 20 years and has been the subject of much debate and controversy. To view the painting, visitors must make reservations in advance. This can be done by calling the booking office in Milano — 02-894-21146 which is open Monday-Friday 9

a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. or book online at [www.cenacolovinciano.org](http://www.cenacolovinciano.org).

Only small groups are allowed inside at a time and only for 15 minutes. Cost is approximately 8 Euro.

### Aviation park

Located in Rimini, this aviation park offers visitors a rare collection of some of the most significant moments of the post-war period.

On display are more than 40 planes that were protagonists of several wars: Korea, India-Pakistan, Vietnam, Iran-Iraq, Gulf war and Bosnia.

Planes include the Phantom fighter, the Lockheed F-104 and a MiG-23. There is also a plane on display that once was owned by Clark Gable.

Inside the park, find an Aviation Museum that contains uniforms and flying suits, which are presented in chronological order, starting from the 1900’s, there are also hundreds of medal’s, decorations and photos on display.

In the park also find a bar, restaurant, a helicopter landing pad, and a car park.

A visit to the park can last from a minimum of two hours to as long as four hours or more.

The park is open everyday from 9 a.m.- 8 p.m. Entrance fee: 9 Euro, children under six: free.

Directions: The park is situated by the main Rimini-San Marino road. Arriving from San Marino, the park is about 1 km after the border. Arriving from the A-14 autostrada, the park is about 8.5 km in the direction of San Marino.

### Antique markets

The following antique markets are held the second Sunday of the month:

Vicenza: In the squares of Piazza Castello, Piazza dei Signori and Piazza Biade. With over 200 stalls, open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.;

Montegrotto Terme, Padova: In Viale Stazione, with 100 stalls open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.;

Villafranca, Verona: In Corso Vittorio Emanuele over 100 stalls open 8 a.m.-6 p.m., no market

there is already a mower on permanent loan in their building; however, availability of these short-term loan mowers cannot be guaranteed.

As of July 1, the Housing Office will no longer be able to supply residents with fuel for lawnmowers.

A legal opinion rendered by the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Europe/7th Army, has constricted the 22<sup>nd</sup> ASG’s ability to utilize government funding for the procurement of gasoline for resident yards.

To ease the transition, the Self-Help Center will continue to issue gasoline as their supply permits up until July 1.

However, because weed-eaters

during the month of August.

### Olympic Winter Games

The XX Olympic Winter Games will be held this year in Torino Feb. 10-26.

The IX Paralympic Winter Games are held in Torino from March 10-19.

For both events and programs, you can find tickets and ideas for accommodation on the official Olympic Web site: [www.torino2006.org](http://www.torino2006.org).

### Ferrari car museum

Ferrari enthusiasts can visit the Ferrari Galleria, located in the small town of Maranello, just south of the city of Modena on the street *via Dino Ferrari*.

This modern two-story building houses exhibits of both racing and road cars as well as the many trophies won by Ferrari racecars all over the world.

If you go on a weekday there is a chance you will find it is less crowded, and there is also a possibility of being there while they’re testing their Formula One car at the test track located nearby.

The gallery and gift store are open everyday from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance fee: adults 12 Euro, children 6-10 years of age pay 7 Euro.

Directions from Vicenza 158 km: autostrada A4 west, A22 south, to the A1 south. Exit at Modena Nord, follow directions for the town of Formigine and then find Maranello on the SS9.

### Street performers festival

For over ten years now the town of *Pelago*, located 60 miles from Livorno, has more or less been a free forum for *buskers* from all over the world.

The ‘On The Road Buskers Festival’ takes place this year from Thursday-Sunday and the streets of the little town will spring to life with music, dancing, drummers, jugglers and fire-eaters, street theater and performances of all kinds. Events take place everyday from 6 p.m. until late.

do not use regular gasoline, but a special mixture instead, the Housing Office will continue to be able to provide this fuel as a service for our customers.

At a minimum, lawnmowers should be exchanged on an annual basis at the Self-Help Center.

This allows the government to perform regular maintenance, and residents benefit by being able to sign for a mower which has been tuned up and is ready for another year of mowing.

For any questions regarding the new gasoline policy, contact the Housing Office at 634-8577, off post at 0444-71-8577.

For information about what is available through Self-Help, call Self-Help at 634-7284.

# Now Showing

### Caserma Ederle Theater

July 5	Closed	
July 6	Star Trek: Nemesis (PG13)	5 p.m.
	Kings Ransom (PG13)	7 p.m.
July 7	Sahara (PG13)	7 p.m.
July 8	Monster-in-Law (PG13)	7 p.m.
	Amityville Horror (R)	10 p.m.
July 9	A Lot like Love (PG13)	2 p.m.
	Amityville Horror (R)	7 p.m.
	Monster-in-Law (PG13)	10 p.m.
July 10	Monster-in-Law (PG13)	2 p.m.
	A Lot like Love (PG13)	7 p.m.
July 11	Closed	
July 12	First Daughter (PG)	3 p.m.
	A Lot like Love (PG13)	7 p.m.

### Camp Darby Theater

July 8	Star Wars III: Revenge of the Sith (PG13)	7 p.m.
July 9	IStar Wars III: Revenge of the Sith (PG13)	7 p.m.

### Movie Synopsis

**KING’S RANSOM** - *Anthony Anderson, Leila Arcieri.* Malcolm is a wealthy and arrogant businessman whose soon to be ex-wife has plans to take him for everything he’s worth in their divorce settlement. Determined to avoid losing his fortune to her, Malcolm plans his own kidnapping with the help of his dim-witted mistress and her ex-con brother. Unfortunately for Malcolm, he is not the only one with a kidnapping plot.

**SAHARA** - *Matthew McConaughey, Penelope Cruz.* Master explorer Dirk takes on the adventure of his life when he embarks on a treasure hunt through some of the most dangerous regions of North Africa. Searching for what locals call “The Ship of Death”, a long lost Civil War battleship filled with coins, Pitt and his wisecracking sidekick use their wits and clever heroics to help Doctor Eva Rojas who believes the ship may be linked to mysterious deaths in the very same area.

**MONSTER-IN-LAW** - *Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda.* Unlucky in love, beautiful ‘Charlie’ has finally met the man of her dreams, Dr. Kevin Fields. There’s just one problem - his mother Viola. Overbearing and controlling, not to mention volatile, she has recently been canned from her job as a star news anchor. Fearing she will lose her son’s affections as she has her career, Viola decides to break up the happy couple by becoming the world’s worst mother-in-law. Helping her with her crazy schemes is Viola’s long-time assistant, Ruby. The gloves come off when Charlie finally decides to fight back and it looks like Viola has finally met her match.

**THE AMITYVILLE HORROR** - *Jimmy Bennett, Ryan Reynolds.* In 1974, police discovered the entire DeFeo family, all murdered by gunshots as they slept calmly in their beds. Ronald DeFeo confessed to methodically murdering his parents and four siblings, and claimed it was the “voices” that told him to do it. One year later, George and Kathy Lutz along with their three children moved into the house, thinking it was going to be their dream home. The Lutz family only lasted 28 days in their home after they were terrorized by a demonic force that drove them away. While this is a remake of the original, it’s still scary...because it’s true.

**A LOT LIKE LOVE** - *Ashton Kutcher, Amanda Peet.* Oliver and Emily meet on a flight from Los Angeles to New York seven years ago, each declaring that they couldn’t be more wrong for each other. However, life keeps bringing them back together over the next seven years. As they struggle with their different partners, careers and breakups, they turn from casual acquaintances into trusted friends. It takes seven years for Oliver and Emily to figure out that maybe what they really have is something....a lot like love.

**STAR WARS: EPISODE III - REVENGE OF THE SITH** *Ewan McGregor, Hayden Christensen.* Three years after the Battle of Geonosis, the Clone Wars are coming to a close. Obi-Wan Kenobi, now a general dispatched by the Republic to bring down remaining Separatists Count Dooku and General Grievous. And Chancellor Palpatine has become corrupt, proclaiming himself Emperor, and, with Anakin Skywalker’s help, begins to turn the Republic into the Galactic Empire. As Anakin ultimately becomes the evil we know as Darth Vader, Padme goes into hiding, and, at the end of one war, another conflict we know all too well is about to begin. Admission: Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$2.

The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time. Tickets to blockbuster shows are presold at Baskin Robbins.

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# Museo Bonfanti

## A car museum in a jewelry factory

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In the country of *Ferrari* and Formula 1, car museums shouldn't be a surprise.

Although there are not too many, one is just around the corner, located a short drive from Vicenza.

It is the *Museo dell'Automobile Luigi Bonfanti - Vimar*, opened in July 1993, which is located three kilometers north of Bassano del Grappa in a two-story building that previously housed a jewelry workshop that closed at the end of the 1980s.

While most car museums do not have a permanent collection, the Bonfanti Museum is the only one in Italy with thematic displays that last about six months.

Usually, the exhibits focus on important models of motorcycles or cars that became classics.

An exception at the end of 2003 was an exhibit dedicated to the "Centennial of the first motor flight" to celebrate the one hundred years of aviation and the first flight by the Wright Brothers on Dec. 17, 1903.

The current exhibit "*Auto Inglesi, le belle e le bestie*", meaning 'British Cars, the beauties and the beasts' again features some classics by showing unique models such as coupe', cabriolet and spider of the most renowned British cars, including Rolls-Royce of the 1930s, 1950s and 1970s.

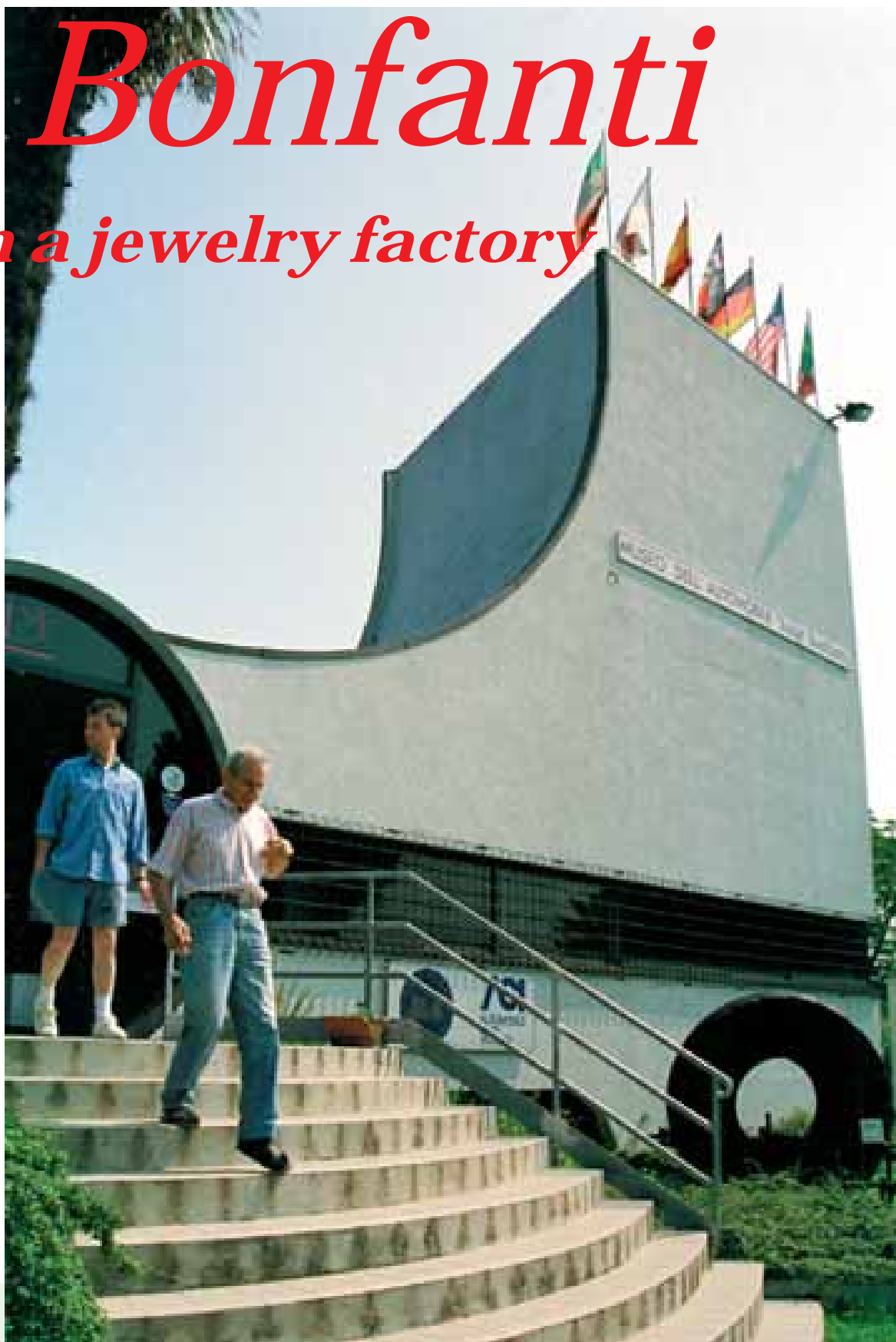
In addition to these prestigious luxury cars, some Jaguars from the late 1940s and 1960s, and a Bentley sport-model from the middle of the 1930s are on display. Grouped under the different section of the *beasts*, but all representing sporty vehicle types, about 15 competition automobiles are on view in the lower room and cover different periods and races.

Among those, visitors may see the Bentley model, which won first place in the 1926 Le Mans race, the Lotus 9 of the 1950s and the Jaguar E-Type, "Lightweight" created in the middle of the 1960s.

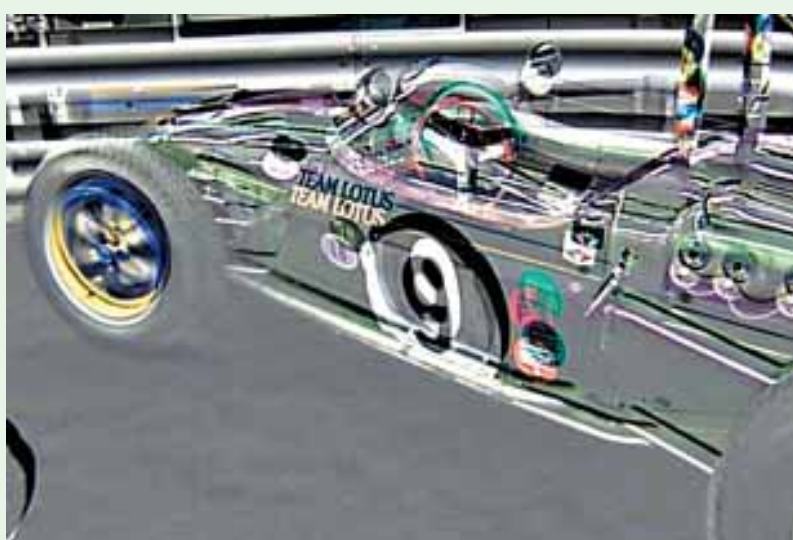
For each of the displayed cars a short explanation in Italian and English helps patrons understand more of the history and evolution of these vehicles.

The museum also has an archive and collaborates with the Padova Engineering University and several other European museums.

In 1999, it was also recognized with an International award in Mulhouse, France as the best European motorization museum.



The Museo dell'Automobile Luigi Bonfanti - Vimar. It was used as a gold workshop until the 1980s.



### "Automobili Inglesi, le Belle e le Bestie"

The exhibit is open until Oct. 2 from 10 a.m.-noon and 2:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. It is closed on Monday.

For information call 0424 - 513 746, fax 0424 - 513 690.

Also check the website [www.museobonfanti.veneto.it](http://www.museobonfanti.veneto.it).

To get to the museum, follow the Strada Statale SS in the direction of Bassano del Grappa.

At the Marostica circle go toward Trento. The exit for the museum is Romano Nord.

After the exit, follow white signs to the museum.

The show starts on the first floor with the 'Belle', or the beauties, the luxury automobiles and then continues down to the basement where appear the 'Bestie', the beasts, which are the racing cars with some of the world renowned race winning models.



Left: Details of some renowned Classic British cars on view at the exhibit such as the 1935 Rolls Royce Phantom 3 Berlina and a 1933 Bentley, far left. (Photo courtesy of the Bonfanti Museum, AFN)



A 1936 S5 Cabriolet Dolomiti Bianchi stands out as a significant piece of the permanent collection. The vehicle was donated by a count from Vicenza who used it until the late 1970s-1980s. Among other models of the permanent collection are a Fiat Abarth 1000.